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TITLE OF INVENTION: NON-INVASIVE HEATING OF IMPLANTED VASCULAR TREATMENT DEVICE

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DETAILED ACTION

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with applicants' attorney, Mr. Huebsch, on 9/15/2010.

2. The application has been amended as follows:

Claim 8 has been canceled and the limitations of claim 8 have been incorporated into claim 1 as below:

CLAIM 1 (Patent claim 1):

- Line 3: change "temperature range." to -- temperature range, wherein the stent includes a core, where the core is formed of the susceptible material --.
- 3. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: the prior art reference has failed to disclose or suggest a vascular treatment device comprising a stent as now recited in the above amended independent claim 1.

Previously withdrawn claims 9-10, 13-19, 27, 30-33 are now rejoined.

Claims 1, 2, 4-33, 42-49 are allowed.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

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Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Vy Q. Bui whose telephone number is 571-272-4692. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Tuesday and Thursday-Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Jackie Ho can be reached on 571-272-4696. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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